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DEPARTMENT *of* SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILD WELFARE EMPLOYEE MASTERS IN SOCIAL WORK SCHOLARS TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Do you work in Child Welfare Services and want to advance your skills as a child welfare professional?

The South Carolina Department of Social Services (SCDSS) is looking to promote a well-educated, trained workforce to work with children and families served by the state's child welfare system.

DSS is accepting applications from current DSS child welfare professionals to be admitted to our program, which provides full financial assistance for tuition and fees, and reimbursement for required books and course material expenses to selected DSS employees seeking a Master's in Social Work at the University of South Carolina, or Winthrop University who will commit to continue working with the children and families served by SCDSS for a minimum of two years after graduation.

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To learn more **CLICK HERE**
To apply, **CLICK HERE** or Scan QR Code
Application Deadline:
Wednesday, July 31, 2023

Informational Meeting
Wednesday, July 12, 2022, at 12pm
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WHAT?
- The purpose of the Child Welfare Employee MSW Tuition Assistance Program is to allow employees to enhance their education in order to build a stronger workforce in support of the DSS mission.
- Commit to remaining employed with DSS for 2 years following graduation.
- Receive full financial assistance for tuition and fees, and reimbursement for required books and course material expenses.

WHY?
- To grow professionally and personally through building advanced skills In social work and a career in child welfare.

WHO?
- CWS Team Leaders and Team Coordinators
- CWS Case Managers
- Other CWS staff

WHEN?
- All DSS employees who are interested in applying or accepted into an MSW program at the University of South Carolina or Winthrop University by July 31.
- Includes DSS employees part way through an MSW program at the University of South Carolina or Winthrop University
- Register HERE to join the Informational Meeting on July 12 from 12 pm to 1 pm to learn more.
- Can't attend? No worries, we will record the session. Email Michael.Robbins@dss.sc.gov for recording and more information.

HOW?
- Apply HERE!
- Have your supervisor provide a reference HERE.

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MSW Program Overview

The University of South Carolina offers two part-time MSW program options:

Three-Year Part-time Program
- Starts every Fall Semester
- Study in Columbia, Greenville, and Charleston

11-Month (+) Advanced Standing Program
- For Students with a BSW
- Starts every Summer Semester
- Study in Columbia

Degree Requirements
Part-time students must complete 60 credit hours, and Advanced Standing students must complete 42 credit hours. All graduate-level studies must be completed in six years. All students must also successfully complete a comprehensive assessment that is distinct from program course requirements.

University of South Carolina MSW Program
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MSW Program Overview

Winthrop University offers two part-time <u>online</u> MSW program options that begin in fall, spring, and summer semesters.

Traditional Program Option

Winthrop offers a Traditional M.S.W. program option, which is designed for students who do not possess an undergraduate degree in social work. This part-time 60-credit-hour program can be completed in as few as 3 years to prepare you for a new career as a specialized social worker.

Advanced Standing Program Option

Winthrop offers a 39-credit hour Advanced Standing M.S.W. program for applicants who possess an undergraduate degree in social work from a CSWE-accredited program. This option enables you to accelerate your career advancement by graduating in as few as 2 years.

The MSW program offers optional specialization Empowerment Practice.

**Winthrop University MSW Program
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